

SAMUEL BLISS.

JANUARY 10, 1832.

Mr. HUBBARD, from the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions, made the following

REPORT:

The Committee on Revolutionary Pensions, to whom was referred the petition of Samuel Bliss, report:

The petitioner enlisted in the year 1776, for the term of one year, in Captain James Stedman's company, and Colonel Andrew Ward's regiment, which were on the continental establishment, served out the time of his establishment, and was honorably discharged. He was originally placed on the list of pensioners under the act of March, 1818, and produced, to the Secretary of War, satisfactory evidence of his service, as aforesaid. He was struck from the list under the law of 1820, on account of the amount of his property.

On the 13th December, 1828, petitioner sold his real estate to Charles Bliss for two thousand dollars, which was to be appropriated to the payment of petitioner's debts, as follows: to Elias Bliss, of Savannah, in the State of Georgia, \$926 10; to Chester Bliss, \$425 76; to Benjamin Strong, \$118 29; to David Dickinson, \$42 16; to Samuel Bliss, of Freeport, in the State of Maine, \$300; and to surrender the claim of said Charles Bliss against the petitioner, amounting to \$200. The above named creditors swear that the above debts were bona fide due to them, respectively, at the time of the sale of the real estate of the petitioner.

Gershom Dorrance and Silas Fuller, justices of the peace in the town of Columbia, county of Tolland, and State of Connecticut, in which town the petitioner resides, certify, officially, that the said petitioner has no property in his hands nor under cover for his support, but is wholly dependant on his children; that, in 1820, he was deeply in debt, and that they have not the least doubt that his whole property has been expended in paying his just and legal debts, and in supporting himself and family; and that he has experienced much sickness in his family, requiring large expenditures, for the last thirty years.

Your committee is in possession of voluminous corroborating testimony, which satisfies them of the truth of the foregoing statements; and, believing the petitioner entitled to relief, report a bill.

